

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
August 29, 2019**

**SUBJECT:** Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.003  
Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

Consider approval of Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.003 Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Board of Governors Regulation 8.003 Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability has been amended to address Senate Bill 6, which amended subsections (4) and (8) of section 1004.085, Florida Statutes.

The amendments include the following.

1. Omitting the requirement for state university boards of trustees to examine the cost of textbooks and instructional materials by course and course section for all general education courses offered at the institution each semester to identify variance in the cost of textbooks and instructional materials among different sections of the same course.
2. Omitting the requirement for state university boards of trustees to review the percentage of textbooks and instructional materials that remain in use for more than one term.
3. Omitting the requirement for institutions to report the selection process for general education courses identified with a wide cost variance in the board of trustees' annual report to the Chancellor.

If approved by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and the full Board of Governors, the Intent to Amend will be available for public comment for thirty days. If no concerns are raised by that time, the Regulation will come before the Board of

Governors for final approval. The Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee will provide a recommendation to the full Board.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:**

In Academic and Student Affairs  
Committee materials